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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE:

**In re Application of:**

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**Serial No.: 10/019,680**

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For: BLOOD COMPONENTS  
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**Art Unit: 1723**

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**RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
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**SIR:**

In response to the office action of February 24, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows: